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BILL No. 17.

SENATE BILL.

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To authorize payment for horses taken by the enemy, or taken from the owners by impressment for the public service.

1. Be it enacted by the general assembly, That when any officer or private in the actual service of this state, whether in the volunteer or militia force, having a horse or horses in possession and in the like service, which horse or horses have been heretofore or may be hereafter taken by the enemy, the same having been valued as prescribed by the army regulations, or where this has not been done, the value having been ascertained by satisfactory evidence, such officer or private shall be entitled to receive such valuation, and the same shall be audited by the auditing board established for the settlement of military claims, and if found to be properly substantiated, shall be paid as other claims are paid when allowed by said board.

2. When any horse or horses shall have been heretofore or shall be hereafter impressed by competent authority for actual service of the military forces of this state, during the continuance of the present war, and the same shall not be returned to the owner within

six months from the time of impressment, the said owner (by producing the certificate of valuation required by law to be given him, or if none such shall have been given, by proving the value of such horse or horses at the time of impressment, by satisfactory evidence) may present his claim, and the same shall be audited by the said auditing board, and if allowed, shall be paid as other claims are paid by their order.

3. This act shall be in force from its passage.

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